

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

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ALL-COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE I- 117-80

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: FOOD STAMP QUALITY CONTROL AUDIT

REFERENCE:

The U.S. Office of Inspector General (OIG) has been commissioned by the Congress to perform an audit of the Food Stamp quality control system in 12 states including California. The specific objectives of this audit are:

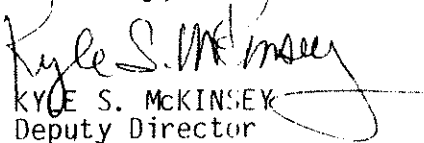
- 1) To validate the nationwide error rate;
- 2) To evaluate the state agency's compliance with the quality control system and the validity of the application of the quality control results for sanctions and incentives;
- 3) To provide an independent evaluation of the overall quality control system;
- 4) To determine what uses should be made of quality control results; and
- 5) To determine the administrative cost of the quality control system.

To accomplish these objectives, an OIG audit team will select three random subsamples of cases from the October 1979 through March 1980 sample. These subsamples will include completed cases, cases not completed and cases not subject to review. Based on those cases selected, the audit team will be visiting counties during the next few weeks. The State Quality Control Bureau will be contacting counties included in the audit to solicit assistance in pulling the selected cases.

This is an audit of FNS's quality control system, and not an audit of county operations. The findings will be compiled in one national report to be delivered to Congress in March 1981. There will be no county or state reports.

If you have any questions regarding this audit, please contact your Food Stamp Operations Analyst. Your assistance and cooperation are appreciated.

Sincerely,


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Deputy Director

cc: CWDA